

¶106.26 CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE CITIES
AND PEOPLE OF BRISTOL

Mr. GOODLING moved to suspend the rules and agree to the following concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 214):

Whereas the cities of Bristol, Tennessee, and Bristol, Virginia, have long been a gathering place for musicians from the nearby mountainous countryside;

Whereas phonographic recordings made in Bristol in August of 1927 launched the careers of the Carter Family and Jimmie Rodgers, who are recognized as the first commercially successful modern Country Music artists;

Whereas these recordings have been called the "Big Bang of Country Music" by the Country Music Foundation in its publication "Country, the Music and the Musicians";

Whereas Jimmie Rodgers has been named the Father of Country Music and was the first artist to be inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame;

Whereas the original members of the Carter Family have been recognized as Country Music's First Family in part because their works have had an unparalleled influence on succeeding generations of Country Music artists;

Whereas "The Roots of Country Music", a three-part television series which aired nationally on the Turner Broadcasting System in June of 1996, recognized the significant contribution of the cities of Bristol to the development and commercial acceptance of Country Music;

Whereas in 1984 the Tennessee Senate recognized Bristol as the "Birthplace of Country Music"; and

Whereas in 1995, the Virginia General Assembly recognized Bristol as the "Birthplace of Country Music": Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Congress—

(1) recognizes the critical contributions of the cities of Bristol, Tennessee, and Bristol, Virginia, and their residents to the origins and development of Country Music;

(2) congratulates the cities of Bristol, Tennessee, and Bristol, Virginia, for launching with the Bristol recordings of 1927 the careers of the Nation's first widely known Country Music artists; and

(3) acknowledges and commends the cities of Bristol, Tennessee, and Bristol, Virginia, as the birthplace of Country Music, a style of music which has enjoyed broad commercial success in the United States and throughout much of the world.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, recognized Mr. GOODLING and Mr. MARTINEZ, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said concurrent resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said concurrent resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said concurrent resolution.

¶106.27 DISABLED ASSISTIVE
TECHNOLOGY NEEDS

Mr. GOODLING moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill of the Senate (S. 2432) to support programs of grants to States to address the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities, and for other purposes; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, recognized Mr. GOODLING and Mr. MARTINEZ, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill, as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LAHOOD, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said bill, as amended, was passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶106.28 NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS

On motion of Mr. GOODLING, by unanimous consent, the Committee on Education and the Workforce was discharged from further consideration of the bill of the Senate (S. 459) to amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to extend certain authorizations, and for other purposes.

Mr. GOODLING submitted the following amendments which were agreed to:

On page 2, line 3, strike out "1997" and "1998" and insert after 1999, "2000, 2001, and 2002".

On page 2, line 7, strike out "1997" and "1998" and insert after 1999, "2000, 2001, and 2002".

On page 2, line 13, strike out "1997" and "1998" and insert after 1999, "2000, 2001, and 2002".

On page 4, line 4, strike out "for each of the fiscal years".

On page 4, line 5, strike out "\$1,000,000".

On page 4, line 6, strike out "for the first fiscal year and all that follows through line 9.

On page 4, line 5, after "inserting", insert "2000 and 2001."

When said bill was considered, read twice, ordered to be read a third time, was read a third time by title, and passed.

When said bill, as amended, was considered, read twice, ordered to be read a third time, was read a third time by title, and passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill, as amended, was passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said amendments.

¶106.29 COMMUNITY-DESIGNED CHARTER
SCHOOLS

Mr. RIGGS moved to suspend the rules and agree to the following amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2616) to amend titles VI and X of the

Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve and expand charter schools:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Charter School Expansion Act of 1998".

SEC. 2. INNOVATIVE CHARTER SCHOOLS.

Title VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7301 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in section 6201(a) (20 U.S.C. 7331(a))—

(A) in paragraph (1)(C), by striking "and" after the semicolon;

(B) by redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (3); and

(C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

"(2) support for planning, designing, and initial implementation of charter schools as described in part C of title X; and"; and

(2) in section 6301(b) (20 U.S.C. 7351(b))—

(A) in paragraph (7), by striking "and" after the semicolon;

(B) by redesignating paragraph (8) as paragraph (9); and

(C) by inserting after paragraph (7) the following:

"(8) planning, designing, and initial implementation of charter schools as described in part C of title X; and".

SEC. 3. CHARTER SCHOOLS.

(a) **PURPOSE.**—Section 10301(b) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8061(b)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)—

(A) by inserting "planning, program" before "design"; and

(B) by striking "and" after the semicolon;

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

"(3) expanding the number of high-quality charter schools available to students across the Nation.,"

(b) **CRITERIA FOR PRIORITY TREATMENT.**—Section 10302 of such Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8062) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)(2)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking "and" after the semicolon;

(B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period and inserting "; and"; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

"(C) not more than 2 years to carry out dissemination activities described in section 10304(f)(6)(B).";

(2) by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

"(d) **LIMITATION.**—A charter school may not receive—

"(1) more than 1 grant for activities described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subsection (c)(2); or

"(2) more than 1 grant for activities under subparagraph (C) of subsection (c)(2)."; and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

"(e) **PRIORITY TREATMENT.**—

"(1) **IN GENERAL.**—

"(A) **FISCAL YEARS 1999, 2000, AND 2001.**—In awarding grants under this part for any of the fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001 from funds appropriated under section 10311 that are in excess of \$51,000,000 for the fiscal year, the Secretary shall give priority to States to the extent that the States meet the criteria described in paragraph (2) and 1 or more of the criteria described in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of paragraph (3).

"(B) **SUCCEEDING FISCAL YEARS.**—In awarding grants under this part for fiscal year 2002 or any succeeding fiscal year from any funds appropriated under section 10311, the Secretary shall give priority to States to the extent that the States meet the criteria described in paragraph (2) and 1 or more of the criteria described